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For: ACTIVE NEGATIVE MATERIAL FOR
LITHIUM SECONDARY BATTERY,
METHOD OF PREPARING THE SAME
AND LITHIUM SECONDARY BATTERY
USING THE SAME

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In connection with the filing of the Continuing Application under 37 C.F.R.
§ 1.53(d), Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendment. Please amend the
above-identified application as follows prior to initial examination.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the following amended claims for the pending claims with the same
numbers:

- 1 1. (Three Times Amended) A negative active material for a lithium secondary battery,
2 comprising a heat-treated graphite carbon material having an intensity ratio $I(110)/I(002)$ of an X-
3 ray diffraction peak intensity $I(002)$ at a (002) plane to an X-ray diffraction peak intensity $I(110)$ at
4 a (110) plane of less than 0.2, the negative active material prepared by
5 dissolving a coal tar pitch or a petroleum pitch in an organic solvent to remove organic-
6 insoluble components therefrom and to obtain organic-soluble components;